

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

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47. (new) A system for controlling the operation of an interactive device in accordance with a user's personal profile, comprising:

an interactive device designed to provide self-generating interaction with one or more users, said interactive device having information obtaining means for obtaining the identity of said one or more users and for

determining at least one aspect of the local environment in which said interactive device is located; and

a computer for providing instructions to said interactive device for controlling the operation of said interactive device in response to a stored personal profile of said one or more users and said at least one aspect the local environment.

48. (new) A system according to claim 47 wherein said means for determining one aspect of the local environment comprises a wireless communication device.

49. (new) A system according to claim 47 wherein said interactive device further comprises a wireless communication device for communicating with said computer.

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50. (new) A system according to claim 47 wherein said interactive device further comprises a wireless communication device for use in determining said at least aspect of said local environment.

51. (new) A system according to claim 47 wherein said at least one aspect of said local environment comprises a second device having means for providing information about said second device to said interactive device.

52. (new) A system according to claim 51 wherein said interactive device interacts directly with said second device.

53. (new) A system according to claim 51, wherein said computer obtains additional data from other sources other than said interactive device for use in providing instructions to said interactive device.

54. (new) A system according to claim 51 wherein said interactive devices communicates with a second computer which interns communicates with said computer for providing instructions which is located remote from said interactive device.

55. (new) A system according to claim 54, wherein said interactive device provides a URL to said second computer for accessing said computer for providing instructions.

56. (new) A system according to claim 51, wherein said computer is part of said interactive device.

57. (new) A system according to claim 51, wherein said interactive device further comprises a GPS system for determining the location of said interactive device.

58. (new) A system according to claim 51, wherein said computer monitors the data received from said interactive device so as to construct and/or adjust a personal profile of said one or more users.

59. (new) A system according to claim 51, wherein a plurality of personal profiles are stored with respect to said one or more users.

60. (new) A system according to claim 51, wherein said computer is provided with a control circuit for controlling certain aspects of the operation of said device.

61. (new) A system according to claim 60, wherein a person other than said one or more users can control the operation of said interactive device.

62. (new) A system according to claim 1, wherein a second interactive device interacts with said first interactive device so as to obtain information and/or instructions that have been obtained from said computer.

63. (new) A system according to claim 62, wherein said second interactive device passes said information and/or instructions to a third interactive device.

64. (new) A system according to claim 47 wherein said means for obtaining the identity of said one or more users is recognition of a physical characteristic.

65. (new) A method for controlling the actions of an interactive device within a local environment with respect to a specific user or users, comprising the steps of:

said interactive device obtaining data with respect to said specific user or users and said local environment in which said interactive device is located;

obtaining the personal profile of said user or users;

processing said data with respect to said personal profile and said local environment so as to obtain instructions for providing continuous self-configuring operation of said interactive device; and

said interactive device implementing said instructions.

66. (new) A method according to claim 65, further comprising the step of updating said personal profile of said user or users based on use of said interactive device by said user.

67. (new) A method according to claim 65, wherein said processing of said data is based on a profile that is located at a remote location with respect to the local environment in which said device is located.

68. (new) A method according to claim 67, further comprising the step of obtaining additional data from other devices in the local environment and using said additional data for providing said instructions.

69. (new) A computer software product method for controlling the actions of device within a local environment with respect to a specific user such that when loaded onto a computer will cause said computer to do the following steps of:

said interactive device obtaining data with respect to said specific user or users and said local environment in which said interactive device is located;

obtaining the personal profile of said user or users;

processing said data with respect to said personal profile so and said local environment as to obtain instructions for providing continuous self-configuring operation of said interactive device; and

said interactive device implementing said instructions.

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70. (new) A computer software product according to claim 69, further comprising the step of updating said personal profile of said user or users based on use of said interactive device by said user.

71. (new) A method according to claim 70, wherein said processing of said data is based on a profile that is located at a remote location with respect to the local environment in which said device is located.

72. (new) A method according to claim 70, further comprising the step of obtaining additional data from other devices in the local environment and using said additional data for providing said instructions.